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Assistant Director for Operations

1 November 1948

Chief, FBIB

Progress report for October 1948

1. In compliance with memorandum to Chief, FBIB, from the Deputy Assistant Director for Operations, dated 28 June 1948, the FBIB monthly progress report is submitted for the month ending 31 October 1948.

2. Mr. Malcolm Frost, Head of BBC Monitoring Service, arrived in Washington for consultations with FBIB officers in connection with the FBIB-BBC reciprocal agreement. It is expected that conferences will be completed on or about 10 November 1948.

3. Outgoing wire service to the Office of Reports and Estimates was initiated on 12 October 1948.

4. Special Report OO-F-68, "Labor Situation in Cyprus," was prepared and issued on 12 October 1948.

5. During October 1948 a new section called "Facts and Figures on the Soviet Union and her Satellites" was added to the "Weekly Survey of USSR Broadcasts." It has been most favorably received by the IAC Agencies since its introduction.

6. A numerical code system for the identification of Korean characters in broadcast names and newly coined words was devised and put into operation.

7. Coverage of broadcasts from Seoul, Korea, has significantly increased as a result of improved staffings.

8. Processing and special distribution of monitored broadcast items to selected government agencies totaled 1,338 for the month.

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